

P. S. Treasury Department,  
 SECRET-SERVICE DIVISION,  
 OFFICE OF CHIEF,

Washington, D. C., March 22, 1876.

Hon. James Pollock  
 Asst. Secy. of the Mint  
 Philadelphia  
 Penn.

Dear — Enclosed I send  
 you three 5¢ nickels marked  
 respectively in front of the figure  
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 to be counterfeit. I can't be-  
 lieve it. If they are cft., it is  
 beyond my ability to detect  
 it. I also enclose a 10¢  
 strip for which I will thank  
 you to examine a new 5¢  
 nickel 1875, and one 1876.

Very Respectfully  
 Elmer Washburn  
 Chief.

Please pass upon and return the enclosed  
 nickels with your decision

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Enclosing two  
5¢ nickels, for  
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Sir: -

Enclosed I send you three 5 cent nickels marked respectively in front of the figure 5 thus X.T.I. They are claimed to be counterfeit. I can't believe it. If they are cft. It is beyond my ability to detect it. I also enclose a 10 cent scrip for which I will thank you to send me a new 5 cent nickel 1875, and one 1876.

Very Respectfully,  
Elmer Washburn  
Chief.

Please pass upon and return the enclosed nickels with your decision.